

River City Express

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Today's Conference Highlights

Opening Session:
8:30 am to 10:00 am
Old Sacramento Ballroom

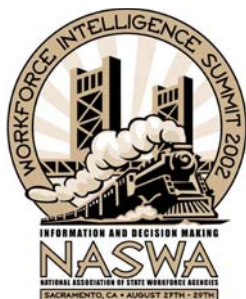
**Workforce Intelligence
Summit Reception:**
6:30 pm to 9:30 pm
California State Railroad
Museum

"Workforce Intelligence Summit 2002" Reception At State Railroad Museum

As an added treat for attendees of the NASWA sponsored "Workforce Intelligence Summit 2002", a gala reception has been scheduled for the evening of August 27 from 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm at the California State Railroad Museum.

Conveniently located in Old Sacramento, just a few blocks from the Embassy Suites Hotel, the Railroad Museum is a complex of historic facilities and unique railroad attractions. The Museum is widely regarded as one of America's finest, and is also one of the most often visited railroad museums.

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Welcome to Sacramento!

Welcome to the "Workforce Intelligence Summit 2002", sponsored by the National Association of State Workforce Agencies (NASWA) and hosted by California's Employment Development Department. This annual conference provides an excellent forum to share state of the art workforce intelligence and workforce development strategies.

The Summit brings together the nations leading experts in workforce information and workforce development professionals in what we hope are highly interactive sessions that will build on

the strength and knowledge base of both disciplines.

The Summit's theme, "Information and Decision Making: Keeping the Workforce on Track" is based on the acknowledged value of using LMI to support effective decision making at various individual, geographic and programmatic levels to achieve successful results. Sacramento, as the original western terminus of the Transcontinental Railroad that opened up the West is the ideal location for opening the dialogue between information providers and customers.



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While you're here, enjoy all the conference events as well as the many historic sites, features and amenities of the Sacramento area.

Visit the California State Fair

One of Sacramento's summer season highlights is hosting the annual California State Fair. This year marks the 148th edition of the prestigious event that stretches back to the days of the Gold Rush. The theme of this years'

State Fair is "Big Fun", and this theme is reflected in notable new attractions and entertainment for everyone.

The State Fair runs through September 2, and is a short drive from the Embassy Suites Hotel.

General Admission is \$9.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for children under twelve. If you interested in learning more about this years' Fair visit their website for daily schedules:

<http://www.bigfun.org/>

The Weather

Today
Tuesday
August 27, 2002

☀ High 96
☁ Low 59

Tomorrow
Wednesday
August 28, 2002

☀ High 92
☁ Low 57

Railroad Museum

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The Museum's interpretive staff, costumed in period dress, will be available to provide guest tours and add their rare insights to the various museum exhibits.

Make plans on joining your friends and colleagues for this Tuesday night reception. The reception will feature food, live entertainment and a no host bar. If you plan on bringing a non-registered guest there is a \$25 charge to attend the reception.

For more information on the Railroad Museum call (916) 445- 6645 or visit their Web site:

<http://www.csrnf.org/>



A 1930s Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway dining car on exhibit at the California State Railroad Museum.



The California State Capitol.

Things to do Within 10 Miles of the Embassy Suites Hotel:

- Towe Auto Museum (<http://www.toweautomuseum.org/>)
- Crocker Art Museum (<http://www.crockerartmuseum.org/>)
- California Military Museum (<http://militarymuseum.org/>)
- Sacramento Discovery Museum (<http://www.thediscovery.org/>)
- California State Capitol Museum (<http://www.sacmuseums.org/capitol>)
- Sutter's Fort State Historical Park (<http://www.cal-parks.ca.gov/default.asp?>)

Historic Old Town Sacramento

In the mid-1960's, after decades of decline, a plan to re-develop the Old Town Sacramento area was begun. Today, with 53 historic buildings, Old Sacramento probably has more buildings of historic value condensed into its 28 acres than any area of similar size in the west. Old Sacramento is a National Landmark and a portion is designated as a State Historic Park.

Mostly held by private owners, with individual busi-

nesses leasing shops and offices, the area has flourished. It is once again a thriving commercial trade center. The waterfront is enjoying a resurgence with a Public Market, new public docks, excursion cruises, a water taxi, the new Embassy Suites Hotel on the river and two new restaurants. Some of Sacramento's best restaurants are offered, as are its museums.

Old Town Sacramento attracts over 5 million visitors

annually. For locals, it is a favorite getaway and has been voted the best place for a first date. Old Sacramento proudly offers a full year-round event calendar and is home of one of the country's largest jazz festivals.

For more information on other Old Sacramento attractions, visit the Old Sacramento Website:

<http://www.oldsacramento.com/home.html>

Where to Eat?

There are wonderful to places to dine all over Sacramento County. Some choices come from the Sacramento News and Review's annual readers and writers poll. Others are the editor's favorite places. You may want to keep these in mind when you're making dinner plans. All (except the ones on the river) are within one mile of the hotel.

A few of the "Best" restaurants include:

- Chevy's on the River** — 1369 Garden Highway, — (916) 649-0390
- Crawdads River Cantina** — 1375 Garden Highway, — (916) 929-2268
- ** Take the River Otter Water Taxi to either of these two restaurants
- Esquire Bar & Grill — 1213 K Street, — (916) 448-8900
- Rio City Café — 1110 Front Street, — (916) 442-8226
- Fanny Ann's Saloon — 1023 2nd Street, — (916) 441-0505
- Frank Fat's — 806 L Street, — (916) 442-7092
- Fourth Street Grille — 400 L Street, (916) 448-2847

If you're in the mood for Thai food:

- The Amarin — 900 12th Street (12th and I) — (916) 447-9063

Want a very unique Pizza?

- Zelda's — 1415 21st St., Sacramento — (916) 447-1400 (two miles from hotel)

For a complete listing of all Sacramento News and Review's "Bests", visit their website: <http://www.newsreview.com>